

LISTING OF CLAIMS

The following is a listing of the claims in the application, with claim 8 amended to remove a comma therein and claim 10 added as new:

1. (Original) A sustained-release composition for oral administration of a drug, comprising the drug, a carrier for sustained release of the drug and a gel hydration accelerator.
2. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the carrier is a mixture of sodium alginate and xanthan gum, and the gel hydration accelerator is a mixture of hydroxypropyl methylcellulose and propylene glycol alginate.
3. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of the drug : the carrier for sustained release : the gel hydration accelerator is in the range of 1 : 3~30 : 0.1~15.
4. (Original) The composition of claim 2, wherein the weight ratio of sodium alginate and xanthan gum is in the range of 1: 0.1~10.
5. (Original) The composition of claim 2, wherein the carrier further comprises locust bean gum.
6. (Original) The composition of claim 5, wherein the weight ratio of sodium alginate : xanthan gum : locust bean gum is in the range of 1 : 0.2~10 : 0.1~5.

7. (Original) The composition of claim 2, wherein the weight ratio of hydroxypropyl methylcellulose and propylene glycol alginate is in the range of 1 : 0.05~20.

8. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of antihypertensive drugs, drugs for cardiovascular diseases, drugs for hyperlipemia, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, drugs for asthma, anti-diabetic drugs, calmatives, antibiotics, antispasmodics, antispasmodics, steroids and a mixture thereof.

9. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the drug is selected from the group consisting of nifedipine, isradipine, lovastatin and glipizide.

10. (New) A sustained-release composition for oral administration of a drug selected from the group consisting of nifedipine, isradipine, lovastatin and glipizide in a mixture with sodium alginate, xanthan gum and a mixture of hydroxypropyl methylcellulose and propylene glycol alginate.